

GIs Tell of Commie Experiments; Crudity Of Red Medical Work

Panmunjom — (U.P.) — American newly returned to freedom told Saturday of cold-blooded "mercy" killings and medical experiments on human "guinea pigs" in Communist prisons as inhuman as the Nazi "horror camps" of Belsen and Buchenwald.

A medical officer described the incredible crudity of Communist military medicine even when it was sincerely intended to help the man being treated.

Other prisoners said the Communist medics often set out deliberately to kill their patients,

or to break their wills, or to test Russian medical theories on them.

Three Men Died

Pvt. Cleveland Clairmont, 23, of Mission, S. D., said that he knew of three sick American prisoners in a Red camp at Pyoktong who died within five minutes after being given "shots" by Communist doctors.

Pfc. Charles H. Matthews, 23, Jayess, Miss., and Negro Cpl. Leonard Rohman, 24, New Orleans, also told of instances in which ailing prisoners were killed by "mercy" shots.

Three Negro soldiers told of medical experiments, apparently intended to verify the Russian theory that complete organs can be grafted into living bodies—a technique said to be in wide use in Communist-held China.

"One time a woman doctor, who said she was educated in Detroit, put some sort of meat under my skin," said Pvt. Godfrey Jones, 21, of Scarborough, W. Va.

Two of his friends, Pvt. Anderson Battle, Bartow, Fla., and Cpl. Tommie Hampton, 33, Chicago, told of similar incidents.

"That's all they were doing—experimenting on us," Hampton said. "They did a lot of that."

Pvt. Robert W. Fletcher, 20, Ypsilanti, Mich., and Pfc. Robert L. Brooks, 23, Reidsville, N. C., said the Reds encouraged prisoners to smoke a narcotic weed, "something like marijuana" which made them more pliable to their captors' will.

"We called the stuff sun-chi," Fletcher said. "Quite a few of the men smoked it."

"The Reds tried at first to stop it," Brooks added, "but later they found they could make a 'junkie' (narcotic addict) of you, I believe they encouraged it, although not openly."

Medical service corps Capt. James R. Curry, Mt. Vernon, O., said that Communist medical care was crude and dangerously unsanitary even when it was well meant.

Lumber Firm Opens Forest Fire Suit

Portland—(U.P.)—A federal court suit filed by the Long-Bell Lumber company and the Gardiner Lumber company Saturday demanded damages of \$2,717,020 resulting from the August, 1951, forest fire in Douglas county.

The firms seek the sum from the E. K. Wood Lumber company. The complaint asserts it was this company's negligence in blasting operations which started the fire which destroyed 13 million feet of cold-decked timber owned by the Gardiner Lumber company, and 11 thousand acres of young timber owned by Long-Bell.

Jurisdiction Accepted On Reapportionment

Salem—(U.P.)—Marion County Circuit Judge Rex Kimmell accepted jurisdiction Saturday in the suit of State Rep. Dave Baum of La Grande challenging the constitutionality of the legislative reapportionment measure passed by the voters last November.

Secretary of State Earl T. Newberry and intervenors, including Walter Dodd of Eugene, filed a motion to strike the suit on grounds the Marion county circuit court did not have jurisdiction.

Judge Kimmell overruled the demurrer on ground the suit was



PROBLEM—On the shoulders of Judge Lorna Lockwood (above) of Phoenix, Ariz., will fall the problem of what to do with some 150 children of Short Creek, Ariz. The entire adult population of Short Creek were arrested for polygamy. Judge Lockwood said every attempt would be made to keep the children with their mothers.

Plywood Industry Cuts Production

Portland—(U.P.)—Cuts in production in plywood plants in the Douglas Fir belt of the Pacific Northwest were announced Saturday. A lumber and shingle mill in Aberdeen, Wash., reported it had shut down completely.

A few of the owners said here a seasonal improvement in market conditions in the fall would probably permit their plants to resume full schedules next month. But poor marketing conditions were blamed for cuts in production of about 35 per cent in some plants and reduced work-weeks of four days.

The McCleary and Shelton plants of the Simpson logging company will be placed on a four-day basis Aug. 17. A 35 per cent cut in production, following on the heels of a 16 per cent cut in June, was reported by Paragon Plywood corporation, Crescent City, Calif.; Brookings Plywood corporation, Brookings, Ore., and Northwest Door Co., Tacoma, Wash.

of great public interest and therefore his court had every right to hear the case.

The secretary of state and intervenors were given 10 days in which to file an answer.

On The Side

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Country homes built in the dim past were really designed for large families and week end house parties. Recently sold in Pleasant Hill, Md., was the home of one C. Wilbur Miller. This house has fifty rooms, twenty-two baths and ten fireplaces. It required a minimum of fifteen servants to operate. At present throughout the country, large houses can be purchased for less money than small houses. Some young couples have taken advantage of this by getting together and buying a large house and living together. That's not a new idea. My mother and father and two other young couples lived in a large house on East 120th st., near Pleasant ave. in Manhattan, when all were in very moderate circumstances. I was born in that house.

Sidelights
An expert on the subject says brunettes see better than blondes. Could be the reason the brunettes have better looking husbands than blondes? Or, why so many blondes feature so many curious color combinations in their attire... Am asked if I know a cure for corns. All I know is that when I started to wear woolen socks I ceased to have corns.

Please Note
There never has been a film star who used "Mrs." in her billing. Yet such a billing has proven very effective in the legitimate theater. Three outstanding stage stars use it: Mrs. Patrick Campbell, Mrs. Leslie Carter and Mrs. Langtry. In her first New York appearance, the last named ordered all posters reading "Lilly Langtry" destroyed and new ones made reading "Mrs. Langtry." Her tour was a terrific success. She was paid \$3,500 a week when the dollar had four times its present buying power and there was no income tax. All the aforementioned stars who used "Mrs." in their billing were red-heads. The names they used were of their first husbands. All of their stage careers began after they had lost or were divorced from their original spouses.

Anon
Has there ever been published a book or group of books titled "The Works of Anon?" Seems it would be a good idea. Some of the greatest things ever written are of unknown authorship. Incidentally, three of the greatest sets of popular song lyrics are by "Anon." I refer to "Frankie and Johnnie," "Casey Jones" and "Abdul, the Bul-Bul Emir." The lyrics of "Casey Jones" include two of my fa-

vorite lines of popular song, namely:
"The switchmen could tell by the engine's moans, that the man at the throttle was Casey Jones."

Among the Married
Did your wife marry you for love? Don't answer me, it is none of my business. However, if she did you are in an unusual spot. Only one out of ten women in this country marry for love. Or, so a nationwide poll indicates. Ninety per cent of the women questioned frankly said that the most important quality in a husband is to be able to provide a good income for his family. Only 10 per cent considered love the most important factor in matrimony.

Briefly
"My Three Angels" is a successful play. Have you ever considered the number of successful plays and films with three leading characters, such as "Three Live Ghosts," "Three Musketeers," "Three Smart Girls," "Three Wise Fools," etc. One Manhattan hostelry announces the installation of a telephone in every bath room. The question arises is it safe to use the telephone while in a tub full of water?

Get It Right
A widely circulated claim is that sculptors have a code for

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MEDFORD (OREGON) MAIL TRIBUNE—THIRTEEN

Ex-Willamette Dean Succumbs at Home

Salem—(U.P.)—Miss Olive M. Dahl, former dean of women at Willamette university, was found dead in bed in her home Friday. She was 65. Dr. Ralph Purvine said death was due to a heart condition.

Miss Dahl, born at Ashley, N. D., came to Oregon in 1927. She was dean of women from then until she resigned in 1948. She served as professor of German at the university from 1946 until her retirement in 1952.

equestrian statues of generals that is observed all over the world. The alleged code is as follows: If a general's horse in a statue has two feet in the air, it indicates the general was killed in action. If the horse has one foot up, it indicates the general was wounded. There is nothing to this claim. In the equestrian statue of Gen. Andrew Jackson in Washington, D. C., the horse's forefeet are in the air. Jackson died at home. The horse in the General Sherman statue in New York has two feet in the air. Sherman died at home many years after the Civil War. In Baltimore, the statue of General LaFayette has the horse's forefeet in the air. LaFayette also died peacefully at home.

Wadsworth New Head Of Roseburg Hospital

Washington—(U.P.)—Appointment of Dr. George L. Wadsworth as manager of the veterans hospital at Roseburg, Ore., was announced here Saturday by the veterans administration.

Dr. Wadsworth, now manager of the veterans hospital at Tomah, Wis., will take over his duties at Roseburg in about 30 days, the VA said.

Hodler in Line for Portland PM Job

Portland—(U.P.)—Rep. Homer Angell of Oregon confirmed here Saturday that Albert M. Hodler, 54-year-old Portland attorney, will get the job of postmaster in Portland pending a civil service examination for permanent appointment.

Angell said he received word from Norman R. Abrams, assistant postmaster general, saying Hodler's qualifications for the post have been approved and that plans are being made for his installation.

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